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Robertson Appointed DOT&PF Central Region Director

(Juneau)—Commissioner Mike Barton today announced the appointment of William Robertson to the position of Central Region Director of the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (DOT&PF). On March 1, Mr. Robertson will take over from Acting Director Gordon Keith, who has held the position since it was vacated last month by Mike Scott.

“William Robertson is a highly qualified, highly respected engineer and businessman,” stated Barton. “His expertise in project management and consulting will be a valuable asset to the Central Region, as well as the department. I look forward to seeing the benefits he brings to the State.”

As Director of the Central Region, Robertson will be responsible for overseeing regional planning, maintenance and operations, construction and administrative services. The Central Region includes Anchorage, the Matanuska-Susitna Borough, the Kenai Peninsula, Kodiak, Bethel and the Aleutian Chain.

“I have no doubt as to Mr. Robertson’s ability to skillfully direct the Central Region,” said Governor Frank H. Murkowski. “He is a proven leader, successful in business and understands Alaska’s transportation infrastructure. I congratulate William on his appointment to Central Region Director and I have every confidence he will serve the State well.”

In 1988, Robertson was named Vice President of Engineering for R&M Consultants, a multi-disciplined consulting engineering firm based in Anchorage. As principal civil engineer, he was responsible for all highway, aviation, marine, site development, utility design and construction management projects performed by the firm. In 1992, Robertson became a major owner of R&M Consultants as well as its Chief Operating Officer. In addition to this business role, he also actively participated in the firm’s design and construction management of large highway and airport projects. In March 2002, Robertson retired from R&M relinquishing his position as Vice President on the Board of Directors and his ownership in the firm.

Robertson earned his bachelor’s degree in Civil Engineering from Arizona State University and his masters in Arctic Engineering from the University of Alaska Anchorage.

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